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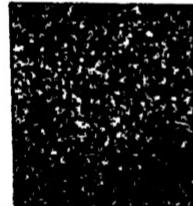
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SUBJ: PURCHASE OF CANADIAN CANDU REACTOR
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1. ALTHOUGH CANADIAN OFFICIALS ARE RELUCTANT TO DISCUSS SUBJECT CANADIAN SALE, ONE SENIOR ENERGY OFFICIAL (PROTECT SOURCE) OF INDSTRY, TRADE AND COMMERCIAL DEPT (ITC) STATED THAT, APART FROM NOW COMPLETED KOREAN NPT RATIFICATION, THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE KOREANS MEET ADDITIONAL CANADIAN "SAFEGUARDS" IS "VIRTUALLY COMPLETE" WITH ONLY SOME "LOSE ENDS" REMAINING TO BE TIED UP BEFORE FINAL SALE APPROVAL BY THE GOC. REGARDING FINANCING, THE ITC OFFICIAL WOULD ONLY STATE THAT THE GOC WAS NOT RPT NOT PROVIDING ANY FINANCING FOR THE REACTOR.

2. EMBASSY COMMENT: ITC OFFICIAL MAY BE TECHNICALLY CORRECT THAT NO GOC FINANCING PER SE INVOLVED; BUT EMBASSY BELIEVES EXPORT DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (EDC), A "CROWN CORPORATION," REMAINS INVOLVED IN FINANCING AS INDICATED IN STATE 7986 OF JANUARY 13. WE ARE

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SPECIFIC FROM EDC AT THIS TIME. PORTER

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